

Order

**Michigan Supreme Court
Lansing, Michigan**

January 31, 2006

Clifford W. Taylor,
Chief Justice

ADM File No. 2005-44

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Proposed Amendment of Rule 3.973
of the Michigan Court Rules
(Dispositional Hearing)

On order of the Court, this is to advise that the Court is considering an amendment of Rule 3.973 of the Michigan Court Rules. Before determining whether the proposal should be adopted, changed before adoption, or rejected, this notice is given to afford interested persons the opportunity to comment on the form or the merits of the proposal, or to suggest alternatives. The Court welcomes the views of all. This matter will be considered at a public hearing. The notices and agendas for public hearings are posted at www.courts.michigan.gov/supremecourt.

Publication of this proposal does not mean that the Court will issue an order on the subject, nor does it imply probable adoption of the proposal in its present form.

[Additions are indicated in underlining and deletions in strikeover.]

Rule 3.973 Dispositional Hearing

(A)-(E)[Unchanged.]

(F) Dispositional Orders

(1)-(4)[Unchanged.]

(5) Child Support. The court may include an order requiring one or both of the child's parents to pay child support. All child support orders entered under this subrule must comply with MCL 552.605 and MCR 3.211(D).

(G)-(H)[Unchanged.]

Staff Comment: The proposed amendment provides that the court may enter a child support order at the dispositional hearing and that it must use the Michigan Child

Support Formula as required by statute and the Uniform Support Order required by court rule in establishing the child support order.

The staff comment is not an authoritative construction by the Court.

A copy of this order will be given to the Secretary of the State Bar and to the State Court Administrator so that they can make the notifications specified in MCR 1.201. Comments on these proposals may be sent to the Supreme Court Clerk in writing or electronically by May 1, 2006, at P.O. Box 30052, Lansing, MI 48909, or MSC_clerk@courts.mi.gov. When filing a comment, please refer to ADM File No. 2005-44. Your comments and the comments of others will be posted at www.courts.mi.gov/supremecourt/resources/administrative/index.htm.



I, Corbin R. Davis, Clerk of the Michigan Supreme Court, certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the order entered at the direction of the Court.

January 31, 2006

Corbin R. Davis
Clerk